

II. REMARKS

Claims 1-59 and 61-71 are elected in response to the restriction requirement. Claim 60 is cancelled in response to the restriction requirement.

Claims 69-71 are currently amended to indicate that they depend from claim 68. Claim 14 is also currently amended to reflect an amendment that was made in a prior claim set but that was not identified as such. Applicants are thereby currently confirming a prior amendment to claim 14. Claims 1-13, 15-59, and 61-68 remain unchanged.

In sum, claims 1-59 and 61-71 are pending after entry of this Amendment.

A. Election/Restriction

The restriction requirement restricts the claimed subject matter of claims 1-71 under 35 U.S.C. § 121, between one of the following groups:

Group I:	Claims 1-59 and 61-71
Group II:	Claim 60

Accordingly, Applicant hereby elects Group I without traverse, corresponding to claims 1-59 and 61-71.

III. CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that all Applicant has adequately responded to the outstanding restriction. Further, all pending claims are patentably distinguishable over the prior art of record. Any amendments are supported by the specification. Applicant accordingly submits that these claims are in a condition for allowance. Allowance of all claims is respectfully requested.

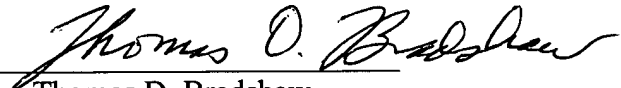
Authorization is hereby granted to charge or credit the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206 for any fees or overpayments related to the entry of this Amendment, including any extension of time fees and new claims fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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